

SCIENCE HILL HIGH SCHOOL

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Excellence. Empowerment.

Everyone. Everyday.

SY 2019-2020

STUDENT HANDBOOK

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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Grade _____

NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

Johnson City Schools prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender, age, or disability. Johnson City Schools does not condone or practice discrimination in admission or access to, treatment of, or employment in, its programs or activities. Any person who feels he or she has been discriminated against may make an inquiry or file a complaint.

SHHS MISSION, VISION, AND BELIEF STATEMENTS

Science Hill is a comprehensive secondary school for grades 9-12 whose staff has made a commitment to continuous growth and improvement. To guide us in our efforts to become the best we can be, we have developed the following mission, vision, and belief statements for our school:

Vision

Excellence. Empowerment. Everyone. Every day.

Mission

The mission of Science Hill High School is to develop lifelong learners and equip them with the skills necessary to be successful in an ever-changing global environment.

We Believe:

- Every member of our community should enjoy a safe, comfortable and welcoming atmosphere.
- Students learn best in a positive, engaging learning environment.
- Students should have access to a broad range of resources, experiences and information in order to be adequately prepared for a rapidly changing global economy.
- A significant component of becoming a life-long learner is the capacity to take ownership and responsibility for one's learning.
- Great effort and a positive attitude are keys to a successful learning experience.
- Every member of our community has value and voice.
- We practice "Ethical Stewardship"...we strive to do the right thing every day because it's the right thing to do.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The SHHS School Improvement Plan can be viewed on the school web page.

JOHNSON CITY FIVE YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN 2017-2022

MISSION

The mission of Johnson City Schools is to enable all students to achieve excellence.

VISION

The vision of Johnson City Schools is to be a progressive school system that is globally competitive in all areas. All students have equal opportunity to learn and be successful while meeting high expectations and are provided the resources to be healthy, productive citizens and lifelong learners.

BELIEFS

To be successful, Johnson City Schools must...

- Provide the highest quality public education to all students;
- Attract, develop, and retain the very best teachers and staff;
- Engage families, business, community, and government;
- Stay on the cutting edge of educational leadership and practice; and
- Foster a caring, safe, and inclusive environment.

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ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

ADMINISTRATOR	TITLE
Todd Barnett	Principal
Dr. Carmen Bryant	Assistant Principal: Curriculum, Technology and Accountability
Dr. Josh Carter	Assistant Principal: Scheduling and Special Services
Dr. Charles Corwin	Assistant Principal: CCTE and Test Coordinator
Dr. Julia Decker	CCTE Director
George Lao	Assistant Principal: Student Services and Activities Grades 9-10
Melanie Riden-Bacon	Assistant Principal: Topper Academy
Wes Smith	Assistant Principal: Student Services and Activities Grades 11-12
Keith Turner	Assistant Principal: Athletic Director

COUNSELORS

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Holly English	9-10 Last Name Gi - N
Josh Jarnigan	9-10 Last Name O - Z
Joe McPherson	11-12 Last Name A - Gh
Sue Ellis	11-12 Last Name Gi - N
Suzanne Reaves	11-12 Last Name O - Z

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OFFICERS 2019-2020

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS President Saanvi Goenka Vice President Brianna Paige Carlsen Secretary Isabella Garcia	JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS President Meredith Thomas Vice President Marisa Gibbons Secretary Eden Rowland
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SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS President Peter Pham	SOPHOMORE CLASS REPRESENTATIVES Vanessa Cerandados, Keynan Cutlip, and Elizabeth Walker

AT A GLANCE

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BELL SCHEDULES

REGULAR DAY SCHEDULE		TWO HOUR DELAY SCHEDULE	
PERIOD 1	7:40 - 9:14	PERIOD 1	9:40 – 10:40
<i>BREAK</i>	9:14 – 9:26 <i>(SECOND CHANCE BREAKFAST)</i>	PERIOD 2	10:48-11:47
PERIOD 2	9:26 – 11:00	PERIOD 3)	11:55 – 1:37
PERIOD 3	11:08 - 1:05 1 st lunch 11:00 – 11:22 2 nd lunch 11:28 – 11:50 3 rd lunch 12:15 – 12:37 4 th lunch 12:43-1:05		1 st lunch 11:47 – 12:09 2 nd lunch 12:15 – 12:37 3 rd lunch 12:47-1:09 4 th lunch 1:15-1:37
PERIOD 4	1:13 - 2:45	PERIOD 4	1:45 - 2:45

The school day begins at 7:40AM and ends at 2:45PM. The school year consists of two semesters; fall semester and spring semester. Each semester has two terms. Each term is made up of one nine weeks grading period. Students will have the opportunity to earn eight credits per year.

IMPORTANT DATES

MEET AND GREET

Parents and students may visit with Science Hill faculty during our annual Meet and Greet. This year it will be held in Grand Topper Hall on Thursday, August 15, 2019 from 3:00 – 6:30pm.

COLLEGE VISIT NIGHT (Grand Topper Hall)

August 15, 2019 (5:30pm))

COLLEGE FAIR (Freedom Hall)

August 29, 2019 6-8 PM

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

A parent may schedule an appointment with a counselor by calling the receptionist in the Science Hill Counseling Office at 232-2184. Calls will be forwarded to the counselor's voice mail. Parents are to report to the main office on each campus they are visiting to receive a visitor's pass before going to a classroom.

Parent/Teacher Conference	September 5, 2019 (3:00 – 6:30pm) by appt.
Parent/Teacher Conference	February 20, 2020 (3:00 – 6:30pm) by appt.

Parent Teacher Conferences on the dates above may be scheduled through Canvas. Individual teacher conferences may be scheduled by contacting the teacher(s) by email or by calling 423-232-2190.

HOMECOMING

Fall Homecoming is September 16-20, 2019. The Varsity Homecoming Football game is Friday, September 20 versus Jefferson County High School. Various Homecoming events will take place during the entire week.

FINANCIAL AID NIGHT (ETSU)

Thursday, September 12, 2019, 6:00-7:30pm

VETERANS DAY

Each November, a program is conducted at Science Hill honoring those who have borne the battle to keep America free. This program is sponsored by the JROTC department and attended by the 9-12 campus and members of the community. The Veterans Program will be held on November 11, 2019 at 9am.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Each year the Student Government Association coordinates the collection and distribution of food to needy student families within the Science Hill High School student population. In the past, approximately 80 families per year have received enough food for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and a complete Thanksgiving dinner. Thanksgiving boxes will be delivered November 26, 2019.

IMPORTANT DATES

MILITARY AWARDS PROGRAM

The JROTC Awards Program is Friday, March 25, 2020 from 6:00 – 7:30pm in the SHHS Auditorium.

ACT

Required ACT Testing for all juniors will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2020

SENIOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS PROGRAM

Sponsored by the Johnson City Board of Education, this program recognizes seniors with a cumulative GPA (grade point average) of 3.5 or above by the end of the 7th session. The program will be held in the Auditorium on Monday, March 30, 2020 at 6:00 PM and is by invitation only.

MILITARY BALL

This semi-formal ball is held each year for the JROTC cadets and guests. The Ball will be held Saturday, April 25, 2020 6:30PM – 11:00PM, location TBA.

JUNIOR / SENIOR PROM

The prom is sponsored by the Junior Class each year for the Senior Class. The prom will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2020 from 9:00PM – 12:00AM in the Grand Topper Hall at the SHHS Main Campus.

SENIOR AWARDS DAY

A program will be held to recognize seniors who have been selected for awards and scholarships on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 8:30 AM.

SHHS 9-11 ACADEMIC AWARDS PROGRAM

Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors who have earned recognition for academic achievement will be honored in an awards program on Monday, May 18, 2020 at 6:30 PM in the Auditorium. A reception for honorees and their families will follow.

***Award Ceremony dates are tentative at the time of handbook publication due to factors related to State of Tennessee test dates and use of snow days during the school year.*

GRADUATION PRACTICE

Seniors are required to participate in Graduation Practice (Friday, May 22, 2020) at 1:00PM) in order to be included in the Graduation Ceremony. Seniors need to be on time to practice. Seniors who do not participate in graduation practice may forfeit the opportunity to participate in the formal graduation ceremony.

GRADUATION

Graduation for the Class of 2020 will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2020 at 10:00AM. Location currently is Mini Dome located on ETSU campus.

HISTORY OF SHHS

The area in and around what is now Johnson City, TN has been referred to as “The Cradle of Tennessee.” James Needham and Gabriel Arthur first passed through this area in 1673. In 1760, Daniel Boone camped on a creek nearby and carved upon a tree, “D. Boone cilled a bar 1760.” Later, in 1769, William Bean located on the Watauga River at the mouth of Boones Creek; his son, Russell Bean, was the first white child born in Tennessee. In 1772, the settlers on the Watauga organized the Watauga Association, which was the first free and independent community established by men of American birth on this continent. In 1776, a portion of North Carolina west of the Allegheny Mountains formed the Washington District, the first civil division in the United States. Named for George Washington, it eventually became Washington County.

It was in this area, rich in historical tradition, that the Science Hill Male and Female Institute was started in the year 1867. The first building was erected on land owned by Tipton Jobe. Labor and materials for the task were furnished by individual citizens. The first session in this building began August 24, 1868. The Rev. John B. Pence was principal. The town at that time was unincorporated and known as Johnson’s Depot. It was incorporated in 1869 under its present name, Johnson City. Science Hill has the distinction of being the first purely private corporation in Johnson City. On January 20, 1880, a charter was granted to Science Hill. It was first operated as a private school and later taken over as a free public school. In 1889, the school was organized into a graded system. The students of the school were cared for in the years 1911-1912 and 1912-1913 by the East Tennessee State Normal School, which opened for students October 10, 1911. The present campus-style plant was occupied in 1961.

Beginning with the 1971 addition of the SHHS Technology Center, the school has experienced many additions, expansions, and two grade reconfigurations. From 1998 through 2012, the eighth grade was a part of SHHS, necessitating that eighth and ninth grades be housed in what had been Liberty Bell Middle School. The SHHS Alternative Center is now housed in the Market St. building once known as Henry Johnson Elementary School. Other sophomores, juniors, and seniors are served at the main campus.

Projects under construction from 2010 to 2012 at the 10/12 campus included a new two-story academic wing, a large expansion of the cafeteria, an additional administrative area, and a new multi-purpose physical education facility. Currently, the Johnson City Schools reconfiguration allows Science Hill to serve 9th – 12th grade students on three campuses: the Main Campus, the College Career and Technical Education Campus, and the Alternative Center Campus. Construction on a new field house began during Spring 2015 and opened for team use in time for the 2015 Football season. A special thanks to the Alumni, Board of Education, and City of Johnson City for our great facilities.

SCIENCE HILL SCHOOL BELL

In commemoration of the fifty-year class reunion of the Class of 1927, the bell from the old Science Hill building was placed in front of the old main office when Science Hill moved to its present location. Due to new construction the bell was moved to the front of the new main office. The bell is tolled on special occasions.

SCHOOL MASCOT

Science Hill High School is known as the home of the **HILLTOPPERS** or the **TOPPERS**. The school colors are **MAROON** and **GOLD**.

SCHOOL ALMA MATER

In the heart of our great city
Reared against the sky
Proudly stands our Alma Mater
As the years roll by

Hail to thee, our Alma Mater
Hail oh Science Hill High,
And the school we love so dearly,
Shall never die.

Forward ever be our watchword
Conquer and prevail;
Hail to thee, our Alma Mater,
Science Hill High, all hail.

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Conquer and prevail;
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SCHOOL FIGHT SONG

Hail! Hail! Toppers hail!
Hail for we shall win tonight's game.
Fight on to the end. Fight for victory and win.
Rah! Rah! Rah!
Hail to victory!
We shall never be defeated.
Fight on for Science Hill High,
For the maroon and gold!

DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Student information such as school activities, sporting events, testing dates, scholarships, etc. are published and emailed daily by 9:30AM to classrooms. The daily announcements are posted daily on the school web page, in PowerSchool and are also posted throughout the building. In addition, there will be verbal announcements each morning when not testing.

WEB PAGE

Science Hill's web page can be accessed at <http://www.icschools.org/sh>
Our school web page contains Information regarding student services, academics, sporting events, school calendar and daily announcements.

YEARBOOK

The school yearbook, The WATAUGAN is published once a year and distributed to students in May. Science Hill offers classes in which elective credit can be earned by students who work on this publication. Sponsor: **Morgan Rado**

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The high school academic calendar is located on our school web page under calendars. This calendar is very detailed with all of the academic activities, nonstudent days, testing dates, and extracurricular activities (except athletics).

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To graduate from Science Hill High School, students must meet the graduation requirements established for the year they first entered the 9th grade. Students should plan to exceed these requirements in order to prepare adequately for post-high school study or a vocation. Please note that walking at Graduation is a privilege – not a right.

Please note that on the block schedule, students have 32 opportunities in four years to be on track to earn a Science Hill High School diploma. Students and parents are strongly urged to work closely with the student's counselor to ensure requirements for graduation are being met. Only students who have completed all requirements for graduation will be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.

COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENT

The Tennessee Diploma Project requires an exit activity prior to graduation. Students attending Science Hill High School are required to complete 40 hours of community service. As hours are completed, students need to submit a signed verification form to the Registrar so hours can be logged. A verification form of hours may be picked up in the Registrar's office, Main office, Attendance office or printed from the Counselor webpage.

Any organization of student/parent choice may be used to acquire hours. If a student needs help finding ways to volunteer, each school office has a list of possible youth organizations to choose from. Science Hill and Johnson City Schools are not liable for students during volunteer work. It is up to the parent and student as to what type of volunteer activities to complete in order to acquire the 40 hours.

STATE OF TENNESSEE MINIMUM HIGH SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

CLASS OF 2013 AND THEREAFTER	# OF CREDITS REQUIRED
MATH (Including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II and a higher level math)	4.0 CREDITS
SCIENCE (Including Biology, Chemistry or Physics, and a lab course)	3.0 CREDITS
ENGLISH	4.0 CREDITS
SOCIAL STUDIES	3.0 CREDITS
PE / WELLNESS	1.5 CREDITS
PERSONAL FINANCE	0.5 CREDITS
WORLD LANGUAGE (May be waived for students not going to a University to expand and enhance the elective focus).	2.0 CREDITS
FINE ARTS (May be waived for students not going to a University to expand and enhance the elective focus).	1.0 CREDITS
ELECTIVE FOCUS (Math/ Science, Career Technical, Fine Arts, Humanities, ROTC, Advanced Placement (AP))	3.0 CREDITS
SHHS REQUIRES 6 ADDITIONAL ELECTIVE CREDITS	6.0 CREDITS

According to the revised (2019) Tennessee State Board of Education rules and regulations, the following is the minimum credits needed for the state of Tennessee for a high school diploma.

- Total Credits Required by Tennessee: Twenty-two (22).
- Total Credits required by Science Hill High School: Twenty-eight (28).
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NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE (www.eligibilitycenter.org)

Student Athletes who plan to participate in an NCAA sport in college must submit an online application and transcript to NCAA Clearinghouse. See the Athletic Director for additional information. Credit Recovery courses do not meet NCAA eligibility requirements.

Diplomas, Awards, Honors, Dual Enrollment and Early Post-Secondary – see program of Studies.

DUAL ENROLLMENT – see Dual Enrollment Application

GRADING POLICY

FINAL EXAMS

Final exams are required of ALL STUDENTS in ALL CLASSES in GRADES 9-12 on the date and at the time scheduled. Final exams count 15% of the semester grade. For classes requiring a State End of Course exam, those test grades will count 15% of the semester grade and final exams will be counted as a regular test grade in the last term of the semester (Q2 & Q4).

EXAM SCHEDULE

Grades 9-12

December 19, 2019, 1st and 2nd block exams

December 20, 2019, 3rd and 4th block exams

Senior Exams

May 14, 2020, 3rd and 4th period exams

May 15, 2020, 1st and 2nd period exams

Grades 9-11

May 21, 2020, 1st and 2nd period exams

May 22, 2020, 3rd and 4th period exams

GRADE CALCULATION

NON EOC COURSE
1 st Nine Weeks
2 nd Nine Weeks
Final Exam (counts 15%)

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

- Credits are awarded based on final grades.
- When a student repeats a class, the higher grade is used in calculating the GPA. The lower grade for the class that is repeated is then given a mark of NC or no credit.
- A four point (4.0) scale of final grades is used to calculate the cumulative GPA.
- A cumulative GPA is calculated at the end of the 11th grade (6th session) for use by seniors in college admission applications.
- Class rank for seniors is determined from a cumulative GPA calculated at the end of the seventh session.

- Upon graduation, an official transcript with class rank and cumulative weighted GPA is generated for seniors.
- Summer school grades and/or grades for courses taken outside the regular curricular offerings at Science Hill High School will be used in calculating the cumulative GPA for the session immediately following completion of the course work.
- Additional information regarding calculations for HOPE Scholarship GPA and Weighted GPA can be found in the Program of Studies.

GRADES

- Letter grades will be recorded each term and are posted to the transcript at the end of each session.
- Grades are available daily on grade book portal.
- Mid-term progress reports are available on grade book portal in each subject at 4 ½ weeks.
- Final grades are available on grade book portal under the grade history section.

Parents or students may request a hard copy of grades or email copy at the end of each term. Email requests to McKayla Collie. Please refer to the counseling web page found on our school web page to request access to grade book portal.

GRADING CLASSIFICATION

All students move to the next grade each year as a cohort regardless of number of credits earned. However please review chart below to see recommended number of credits needed for each grade level to be on track for graduation the senior year (fourth year). All students are expected to graduate in four years.

FRESHMAN	GOAL: 8 CREDITS	TOTAL: 8 CREDITS
SOPHOMORES	GOAL: 8 CREDITS	TOTAL: 16 CREDITS
JUNIORS	GOAL: 8 CREDITS	TOTAL: 24 CREDITS
SENIORS*	GOAL: 8 CREDITS	TOTAL: 32 CREDITS

*Students are recommended to start the senior year with no less than 20 credits to be able to earn 8 credits and graduate with required 28 credits.

GRADING SCALE

Grade	Scale	Percentage Range	
A	4.0	93	100
B	3.0	85	92
C	2.0	75	84
D	1.0	70	74
F	0.0	0	69

Grades are reported as letter grades. No term average of less than 50 will be recorded.

Weighted courses reflect the weighted points in the letter grade in grade portal.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES:

Shall include the addition of five (5) percentage points to the grades used to calculate the semester average. Points will be earned only if the students sits for the corresponding AP Exam.

DUAL CREDIT, DUAL ENROLLMENT AND CAPSTONE INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION COURSES:

Shall include the addition of four (4) percentage points to the grades used to calculate the semester average.

HONORS COURSES:

Shall include the addition of three (3) percentage points to the grades used to calculate the semester average.

RANK IN CLASS FOR SENIORS

Rank in class is determined for seniors at the end of the 7th session using the cumulative weighted GPA. Class rankings in the top 50% are reported in increments of 5%. Class rankings that fall in the lower 50% are reported as either in the 3rd or 4th quartile.

**JOHNSON CITY SCHOOLS 2019-2020
ASSESSMENT CALENDAR**

As required by T.C.A. § 49-6-6007, assessments for the 2019-20 school year

Required State Assessments

Assessment	Date	Grade Level Content Area	Requirement & Purpose	Results
TCAP End of Course (EOC) <i>English I/II</i> <i>Algebra I/II</i> <i>Geometry</i> <i>Biology</i> <i>U.S. History</i>	Fall Block: December 2-19 Spring Block: April 13-May 8	9-12 Students enrolled in EOC Classes	Required by Federal Government (ESSA) & Tennessee law (TCA) to assess student mastery of TN state standards Test length: https://www.tn.gov/education/assessment/testing-times-by-grade-subject.html	Individual profile reports from the Tennessee Department of education in early fall
ACT Exam <i>English</i> <i>Math</i> <i>Reading</i> <i>Science</i>	October 1 (senior retake) October 15 & 29 (senior retake make-up dates) March 31 (junior initial date) April 21 (junior make-up)	11 & 12	A college admissions test that measures what students learn in high school to determine academic readiness for college Test length: 3-3 1/2 hours	Individual profile reports are provided by ACT approximately three to eight weeks after the administration of the assessment
WIDA Access <i>Reading</i>	February 17 – April 3	9-12 Students who are English language learners	Required by Federal Government (ESSA) to assess student progress in acquiring English Test length: 3-3 1/2 hours	Individual profile reports in August
TCAP-Ait & MSAA <i>Reading</i> <i>Math</i> <i>Science</i> <i>Social Studies</i>	May 16-May 8	9-11 Students with significant cognitive disabilities	Required by Federal Government (ESSA) & Tennessee law (TCA) to assess student mastery of TN state standards Test length: 4-6 hours	Individual profile reports from the Tennessee Department of Education in early fall
State Dual Credit Exams <i>American History</i> <i>Plant Science</i> <i>Criminal Justice</i> <i>Speech</i>	Fall Block – TBD Spring Block – TBD	10-12 Students enrolled in SDC courses	Opportunity for students to earn college credit based on exam performance Test length: 2-3 hours	Scores reported near the end of the testing window for each fall and spring block

OTHER STANDARDIZED ASSESSMENTS

Assessment	Date	Grade Level	Requirement & Purpose	Results
Advanced Placement Exams	May 4-22	9-12 Students enrolled in AP courses	Opportunity for students to earn college credit based on exam performance Test length: 3-4 ½ hours	Scores reported in July on the AP College Board website
EasyCBM <i>Reading</i> <i>Writing</i> <i>Math</i>	August through May	9-12 Students enrolled in RTI/SPED courses	Progress monitoring required by TN Department of Education to assess reading and math skills Test length: 5-20 minutes	Results shared during progress monitoring periods at four-week intervals for qualifying students
PSAT/NMSQT	October 16	10 & 11	PSAT is a practice version of the SAT, a measure of college readiness, and students who take the PSAT/NMSQT during their junior year are automatically considered for the National Merit Scholarship Program Test length: 3 hours	College Board releases online reports six to eight weeks after the exam with paper copies distributed in January
Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)	September 24 January 15	10-12 Student Choice	Students can determine qualification for enlistment in the military as well as a career inventory exam Test length: 2 ½-3 hours	Individual score reports are released 5-10 days after administration of the exam
NAEP <i>Reading</i> <i>Math</i> <i>Science</i>	January 28-March 15	12 Sample of students selected to take the test	Required by Federal Government (ESSA) to assess reading, math and science skills Test length: 1-1 ½ hours	Not designed to show individual student, classroom, or school results; instead of reporting individual scores, NAEP reports overall results for the nation, the states, and for demographic groups

WEIGHTING FOR ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Shall include the addition of 5 points to grades used to calculate the semester average in AP Courses upon completion of the AP exam:

WEIGHTING FOR DUAL CREDIT, DUAL ENROLLMENT AND CAPSTONE INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION COURSES;

Shall include the addition of 4 percentage points to grades used to calculate the semester average in the following courses:

- SDC American History
- SDC Intro to Plant Science
- SDC Criminal Justice
- SDC Speech and Communication

** SDC= State Dual Credit

Students must take National Exam to receive a weighted grade in the following course areas:

- Arts and Communications Tech (Computer Repair)
- Business and Information Tech
- Construction Tech
- Health Science Ed (Med Tech)
- Hospitality and Tourism (Culinary Arts)
- Human Services (Cosmetology) and Transportation (Automotive Tech)

**** Courses not listed here do not meet the Tennessee Department of Education requirements to be weighted.**

SCHOOL SUPPORT PROGRAM

Anthony Jones and Tim Vanthournout lead our Hilltopper School Support Program (SSP). This programs designed for students who are not progressing in school as well as they are able. The reasons for the underachievement may be academic or organizational issues, conduct or attendance problems, social or emotional concerns. Teachers, counselors, administrators, parents or the students themselves may refer persons for whom they have interest.

The School Support leaders provide a variety of services to students, parents, teachers, and administrators:

- Attendance monitoring and attendance plans
- Baseline behavioral and academic assessment; review of records and services
- Behavior and Academic monitoring with Daily or Weekly Progress Reports
- Parent Conferences; Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Peer Interventions
- Time Out or Crisis Intervention

- Individual and Group Counseling
- Home-School Contracting
- Assignment and Homework Organization
- Ongoing parental communication via phone, notes, progress reports, e-mail
- Liaison with and services for Topper Academy students, staff, and administration
- Referrals for other interventions both within the school setting and to community agencies and entities
- Professional library of behavioral and academic interventions

A number of supports are available to Science Hill High School students. The School Support teacher can help to arrange activities such as:

- After school tutoring
- Referrals for therapeutic counseling
- Edmentum® credit recovery
- Content-subject specific tutoring.

Students who have earned their way out of alternative placement are typically placed on the School Support Program caseload for a period of time.

SCIENCE HILL TOPPER ACADEMY

The Science Hill High School administration and staff are committed to the goal of helping all students achieve their academic best. It is, however, the responsibility of students and parents to work with the school in attaining this goal. When students are found to be deficient in their academic performance, behavior, and/or attendance, each student's performance is reviewed by a school placement committee to determine whether the student should be assigned to the Topper Academy. The Topper Academy is a facility and program designed to best meet the needs of students who do not otherwise perform up to expectation in a regular setting. As a result, Topper Academy may have additional policies and procedures in place beyond the scope of the SHHS Handbook. For information on any of these programs, see Melanie Riden-Bacon (928-0380).

CREDIT RECOVERY

Credit Recovery is traditionally defined as a way to "recover" credit for a course that a student has not successfully completed. Credit Recovery programs, in general, have a primary focus of helping students stay in school and graduate on time. Parental permission required for participation.

WORK-BASED LEARNING

Students who apply and are approved for Work-Based Learning (WBL) may leave school only one period of the day (i.e. the last period unless given special consideration) for work-based learning. Only juniors and seniors may request WBL. Due to work regulations, no WBL experience will be permitted in the medical field except through the Health Science Education clinics. Students must follow all rules and regulations pertaining to WBL guidelines.

SENIOR SPEAKER GUIDELINES FOR GRADUATION

The Senior Class will elect their graduation speaker by ballot. Any senior who would like to be considered should pick up an application from the main office starting on April 2, 2020. The applications are due back to the main office no later than 3pm on April 9, 2020. Once applications and speeches are approved, the speaker candidates will present their speeches to the senior class at the scheduled senior meeting on April 17, 2020. Applicants for Senior Speaker must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Applicants will meet all attendance requirements during his/her senior year.
- No OSS during senior year.
- At least a 3.0 GPA through the 7th session.
- Recommendations from at least 4 teachers from his/her senior year classes.
- Speech must be approved by an administrator.
- Graduation speech must be given during the Senior Meeting on April 17, 2020.

The **procedure** for selecting the Senior Speaker will be as follows:

- Speaker applicants will be approved using criteria listed above.
- On April 14, 2020 at 3:00 PM applicants will submit a written copy to a five member selection committee and perform the speech in its entirety. This committee will consist of: one English teacher, one Administrator, one PTSA/community member, one SGA member from the Junior class, and one Senior class sponsor.
- The committee will then select the top three (3) speakers.
- Those three candidates will speak before the Senior Class, who will then elect their Senior Speaker by written ballot.

ATHLETICS & EXTRACURRICULARS

ATHLETICS

Science Hill is proud of its athletic program and records. As a member of the TSSAA and the Big 7 Conference in all sports, SHHS offers the following: baseball, basketball, cheerleading, cross-country, football, golf, soccer, softball, swimming/diving, tennis, track, volleyball, and wrestling. Students who are interested in participating in the Science Hill High School athletic program should contact the Athletic Director. Also see NCAA Clearing House Eligibility requirements on pg 12.

PHILOSOPHY

It is Science Hill High school's belief and expectation that students who participate in athletics take full advantage of their opportunities to learn, instill self-discipline, enrich their knowledge of life, and develop a desire to improve and work as a member of a team.

GOAL

Our goal in athletics is to help each student reach his/her academic and athletic potential and to become a more productive member of society.

OBJECTIVES

- To develop self-confidence and a positive self-concept.
- To set and work toward accomplishment of goals.
- To grow socially, emotionally, and physically in a nurturing environment.
- To develop self-discipline.
- To learn teamwork and cooperation.
- To develop a desire to excel.
- To learn to treat others as we would have others treat us.
- To receive self-satisfaction of accomplishment and enjoyment of participation.
- To develop an awareness and respect for a high degree of physical fitness through exercise and good health habits.

ATHLETICS IS A PRIVILEGE – NOT A RIGHT

- The athletic department encourages participation in athletics as an extra-curricular activity and such participation is a privilege. No one is guaranteed a place on the team.
- Students must be ready to meet the standards established by the school or face the possibility of not being a member of a team.
- Talent alone will not be the sole criterion for selection. Other factors such as attitude, desire, cooperation, and self-discipline will play important parts. **Playing time is solely at the discretion of the coach.**
- The coach will address complaints only when the athletic director and/or another administrator are present.
- Parents/legal guardians must refrain from making derogatory remarks about other parents, coaches, players, or the program.

ATHLETICS & EXTRACURRICULARS

ATHLETIC BANQUETS

Athletic coaches are responsible for organizing their own athletic banquets. Dates and locations of banquets will be approved by the Athletic Director.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

The high school athletic calendar is located on our school web page under calendars. This calendar contains all of the athletic events scheduled with our school. Athletic events are added as seasons get closer and many events change due to weather but are updated as soon as possible.

ATHLETIC SIGNINGS

Athletic signings will be arranged through the athletic director during non-school hours. Students may attend by invitation only.

DRUG TESTING FOR ATHLETES

Science Hill High School is concerned with the physical, emotional, and mental well-being of all of its students, including those who participate in athletics. While the use of alcohol and other drugs is a potential problem for all students, unique pressures and risks exist for those participating in athletics. Recent trends in professional and high profile college athletics have increased the pressure associated with drug and alcohol abuse. The misuse and abuse of alcohol and other drugs will not be tolerated.

DRUG TESTING PROCEDURE

All student athletes involved in the Science Hill High School athletic program will be subject to random drug testing throughout the calendar school year, from August until May each year until their eligibility ends. The testing will be accomplished by the collection of urine specimens on the random test dates. The collection procedures will be conducted by a representative from a professional medical organization, and the samples will be sent to a certified laboratory for testing. A certified medical review officer from the medical organization will contact school administration with test results as well as the selection of the random candidates. Also, Science Hill High School reserves the right to screen athletes under the suspicion of alcohol by a breath alcohol test.

ELIGIBILITY

It is the student's responsibility to meet the requirements for eligibility. Information and assistance is available from the Athletic Director.

EQUIPMENT

Any equipment issued to a student athlete becomes the responsibility of the student athlete. He/she is responsible for lost or damaged equipment. Students who do not turn in athletic equipment at the end of that sporting season will not be eligible for participation in any other sport.

ATHLETICS & EXTRACURRICULARS

INSURANCE

Coverage for Science Hill High School is a **secondary coverage plan** that covers only after parents have filed on their insurance plan. A catastrophic plan for very serious injury has also been purchased for athletes. See Mark McDonald for proper insurance forms.

ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE FOR ATHLETES

The Athletic Committee, with the cooperation of the coaches, has developed an academic assistance program for Science Hill athletes. All cooperation in identifying, referring, and tutoring will be appreciated.

Procedures for academic assistance include the following:

- The athletic director will tag the athletes in the computer upon receipt of team rosters.
- Coaches will check mid-term grades of all athletes.
- Coaches will be given a grade card for all their athletes at the end of each term.
- Coaches will keep the progress reports for each athlete on file until that athlete graduates or no longer is a member of the team.
- The teacher will contact the coach or the athletic director if a problem occurs.
- Athletes with a D or E in any subject the preceding grading period will be required to complete a Progress Report form every two weeks for all classes.
- Athletes are to get a report from the coach and take it to class on Friday.
- The teacher will complete the form and return it to the athlete on the following Monday. **The athlete will present the form to the coach on Monday prior to the practice or competition.**

Consequences for not following academic assistance procedures:

- Failure to return form – No practice or competition until the form is turned in.
- Failure to complete assignments – No practice or competition until completed.

ATHLETIC PASSES

Athletic passes permitting attendance at all regular season home athletic events are available for purchase for students only. Student and adult passes may be purchased from Janet Phillips in the Student Activities Office on the main campus (232-2205). Student passes are \$60, and adult passes are \$75. Varsity football ticket prices are \$7.00 (general admission). All other varsity sports ticket prices are \$5.00 for students and adults. Football reserve season tickets are \$45.00 and \$70.00.

PRACTICE

Individual coaches determine practice schedules for each sport. An athlete should never miss a practice without consulting the coach. Parents are responsible to pick up student athletes in a timely fashion.

ATHLETICS & EXTRACURRICULARS

STUDENT ADMISSION TO GAMES

Any student who enters an athletic event without paying will be prohibited from attending athletic events for a season. If the given student is an athlete, he/she will also be suspended from participating in 10% of their given sport(s).

TRAVEL

The school may provide transportation to out-of-town athletic events. When transportation is provided, student athletes must travel to and from the out-of-town event in the provided transportation. Exceptions may be granted with prior school approval of parent(s) written request.

TENNESSEE SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (TSSAA)

- A student athlete must have six (6) full credits in the preceding year.
- A student athlete must not be nineteen (19) years of age on or before August 1st.
- A student athlete is permitted eight (8) sessions of eligibility beginning with the ninth grade.
- A student athlete must have a medical examination dated after May 1, 2017 before participating in a practice or game.

SHHS GUIDELINES FOR GOOD STANDING

- Students in grades 9-12 must take 4 credit earning classes per session. Anything less must be approved by the principal in writing.
- Students must earn 3 full credits per session in order to be eligible for the following session.
- Students must have a completed Parent Consent Form on file.
- Student's parent or guardian must meet with the head coach prior to the student participating in that sport.
- Students placed at the Science Hill Alternative Center may be approved to participate in athletic conditioning/practices but may not be allowed to participate in games during the session in which they are placed. In cases where the student appears to be ready to return to good standing, exceptions may be granted by the Principal upon recommendation of the Athletic Director and/or the Alternative Center Administrator.

ATTENDANCE

Athletes are expected to be in class except with an excused absence. An athlete must be in school 3 hours and 31 minutes on the day of a game or practice to participate.

ATHLETICS & EXTRACURRICULARS

CONDUCT

Student athletes are to demonstrate good sportsmanship, to give respectful attention to classroom activities, and to show respect for other students and faculty.

- Student athletes will have many opportunities to represent their school and city. They should not do anything to embarrass themselves, their parents, their school, or their team.
- Student athletes with an in-school or out-of-school suspension may not participate in any extracurricular activity (practice or game) on the day(s) of suspension.
- As a member of an athletic team, students are expected to be properly groomed. Appearance, expression, and actions are important attributes of an athlete.
- Student athletes are not to use tobacco, e-cigs, vapes, alcohol, or other drugs. A student athlete may be suspended or removed from a team for a conduct violation.
- Hazing and initiations are strictly prohibited in high school athletics.
- Student-Athletes will need to sign and return to their coaches the Anti-Bullying, Harassment, and Hazing Pledge form prior to participating on any Science Hill High School Athletic team.
- Athletes charged with off campus criminal, drug, or alcohol offenses will be subject to the sanctions outlined in the Random Drug Testing Policy. This may result in permanent suspension from participating in athletics. This policy is also in effect during the summer break, and violations occurring then will be dealt with prior to the student athlete's participation the following year.
- Any student athlete, who is under a mandatory one-year expulsion, as defined by the Johnson City Schools Code of Conduct, will not be eligible to participate in athletics during that mandatory one-year expulsion.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

FINE ARTS EVENTS

The art, band, choir, drama, and orchestra departments present programs at various times throughout the year. Check the daily announcements, and school calendar on the school web site for dates and locations.

SGA (STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION)

The SGA is a student organization in charge of student activities. They plan, organize, and implement community service projects, school service projects, pep rallies, Homecoming, SGA dances, Thanksgiving Food Drive, Junior/Senior Prom. SGA members will also serve as a leadership team with the principal.

SGA is made up of four campus wide senior officers, four senior, junior, and sophomore class officers and representatives. No officers will be elected in ninth grade and any ninth grade student is eligible to participate in SGA. Students may pick up applications in April to run for a SGA office for the next school year.

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The goal of SGA is for the most qualified students to fully utilize leadership abilities and influence to make Science Hill a community of excellence. In order to reach that goal, students in grades 10-12 must meet the following guidelines:

- Submission of a completed application by the deadline to the principal.
- Minimum GPA (cumulative) of 3.00.
- No out-of-school suspensions for any reason during the current school year.
- Campus-wide officer candidates must be interviewed by SGA advisors in April before the election and have an interview score of 20 or higher.
- Teacher evaluations will be sent to all teachers in the current school year. Teacher evaluation average score must be 20 or higher for officers, 15 or higher for representatives.
- Any student who commits off campus criminal behavior which results in the student being legally charged will be suspended from participation in Student Government immediately by the principal. The incident will be reviewed by the principal. This policy is also in effect during the summer break, and violations occurring then will be dealt with prior to the student's participation the following year.
- If removed from office for ANY reason the student is not eligible to run for office the following year.

FIELDTRIPS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- ALL fieldtrips must have academic value.
- Students in violation of the attendance policy and/or not in good academic standing may not attend fieldtrips.
- All fieldtrips must have prior approval of the principal.
- Fieldtrips must be placed on the Science Hill High School Master Calendar immediately following the principal's approval.
- Overnight trips must have Board approval. Please note that the deadline for inclusion of a field trip request on the Board agenda is typically 12:00 PM on the Monday two weeks before the next regular Board meeting.
- Fieldtrips are strongly discouraged after March 13, 2020 due to State and school specific testing. This doesn't include competitive events over which the school has no control. All others will be at the discretion of the Administrative team.
- The sponsoring teacher or coach must provide a list of approved students 4 days in advance to Mr. Laoo. The sponsoring teacher should emphasize to the students taking the trip that work missed must be made up. Students who do not make up work missed on previous trips may not be allowed to participate in future trips. Teachers sponsoring a trip must allow students to makeup tests during the sponsoring teacher's class time. *Any teacher who sees one of his/her student's name on a fieldtrip list and he/she has not made up his/her work from a previous fieldtrip should notify the sponsoring teacher.*

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- Fieldtrips will be authorized for competitive events. These must be taken after school or on weekends if possible. Since students are motivated by competition such as state and national contests, district, regional competitions, etc., such will be authorized within reason.
- Some groups are performance oriented and must be afforded reasonable opportunity to display the skills they have learned. These groups are called upon many different times during the school year to perform for different groups in our community. These groups include choir, band, drama, orchestra, ROTC drill teams, clubs, etc. Fieldtrips for such performances may be limited to two days per session.
- Athletic fieldtrips are limited to two days per team during regular season.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND TEAMS	FACULTY SPONSOR(S)
American Sign Language Club	Kiki Garman Diamond
Art Club	Margie Brown
Art Lit Film Society	Dr. Lisa Swor
Band	Dr. Carson Vermillion, Dan McGuire
Beta Club 11-12	Tammy Keller
Beta Club 9-10	Bess Laufenberg
Book Club	Kayla Wilson
Chess Club	John Morrell
Chorus	June Oaks
Drama: Drama 101 Showstoppers	Hunter Graybeal Rick Marshall
FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)	Mike Crumley, Rose Hilton, Marsha Salyer, Debbie Mottern and Kevin Conner
FCCLA (Family Career Community Leaders of America) Culinary Arts Social Health Services	Sasha Johnson Heather Connor
FFA (Future Farmers of America)	Chris Dockery
First Priority	Thomas Bier
French Club	Anne Gregg
German Club	Karen Guinn
Hats for the Homeless	Thomas Bier
HOSA – Future Health Professionals	Tamela Harris, Barbara Lester, Paula McPherson, Jan Mould and Kristine Taylor
Huddle Club	Missy Cutlip
iGreen Environmental Club	Elizabeth Still

Interact Club	Caroline Darden, Rachel Brouillette
International Student Organization	Marcia Torbett
Investors Club	Tim Vanthournout
JROTC (Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps)	Lt. Col. Scott Wild
Latin Club	Beth Brading
Medieval Battle Association	Jerry Sayers
Mock Trial	Chad Robinson
Mountain Bike Team	Craig Lancaster
Mu Alpha Theta	Eric Wondergem
Orchestra	Susan Lambert
Physics Club	Mike Taylor
Psychology Club	Thomas Bier
Project 7	Lance Arnold
Quidditch Club	Jessica Schiwitz
Random Acts of Kindness	Tracy Hoilman
Rho Kappa & Chic Fil A Leadership Academy	Jessica Schiwitz, Kayla Wilson
Robotics Team	Jeff Kleven
Ruriteen	Tom Bier
Scholars Bowl	Tom Bier, Michael Laviano
Science Bowl	Elizabeth Bennett, Rachel Brouillette
Science Hill Community Outreach	Caroline Darden
Science Hill Debate Team	Rick Marshall
Sci/Fi Club	Nicole Kelley
ShowStoppers	Richard Marshall
Sisters of the World	Dalia Martinez
Skills USA	Charlene Hogg, Jeff Kleven, Patty Beuris, Rich Murray, Cas Razo, Brent Sluder and Robbie Tester
Spanish Club	Kayla Jimenez Gomez
Spirit Squad	Tracy Coggins, Celia Street
Spoken Word	Nicole Kelley
Student Government Association	Mitzi Stiltner, Barbara Sutton, Angela Taylor, Kayla Wilson
Topper Dance Team	Kellie Bowman
Ultimate Frisbee Club	Michael Laviano
Unity Dance Team	Marvin Christman
The Wataugan Yearbook	Mitzi Stiltner
Young Democrats	Dalia Martinez

COUNSELING SERVICES

Science Hill has six full time counselors to assist students by providing information and counseling services. See page 3 for a list of counselors. Some of the services provided include:

- Assistance in planning the student's academic program.
- Coordination of college testing.
- Coordination of information related to colleges and careers.
- Referral of student to the school psychological examiner, mental health personnel, human services, or other community specialists.
- Implementation of individual and group counseling programs.

CAREER INFORMATION

Information concerning career opportunities is available through the counseling offices.

COLLEGE INFORMATION

Counseling

The counseling department provides personal, educational and career counseling. We believe that the complexity of the program requires counselors who are very familiar with the diploma program practices and requirements, so they will be best able to support their students. This support comes in conversations with the student on course and college planning, facilitating conversations between teachers, students and parents when intervention is needed, and providing stress and time management coaching. In addition, counselors meet with the DP coordinator basis to discuss student concerns and to suggest courses of intervention.

The counseling offices have many resources available. Some may be checked out for use at home. College planning materials are available for checkout in the library. Scholarship information is available on the counseling web page.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION SHOULD BE REQUESTED AT LEAST ONE MONTH BEFORE THE DUE DATE. A current resume should be given to the counselor when a request for a letter of recommendation is made. This procedure should also be followed when requesting letters of recommendation from teachers.

STUDENT APPOINTMENTS WITH A COUNSELOR

Students may make an appointment to see counselors in the following locations: Main Office 8am – 3pm, Topper Student Center 7am – 12pm, and CTE Office 7am – 3pm. The student will be given a note to be initialed and timed by the teacher when the student leaves class. The teacher will decide to release the student from class or to have the student remain in class. If the student needs to remain in class, another appointment can be made. The student **MUST** bring the initialed note to the counselor. The student must have the counselor initial the note for the student to return to the classroom teacher at the end of the appointment.

TRANSCRIPTS

Parchment is used for the secure online transmission of student transcripts to colleges, universities, NCAA Clearinghouse, dual enrollment classes, etc... All students should create a free Parchment account at Parchment.com. Click “Sign Up Now”, enter login information and create a password that will be easy to remember. Search for Science Hill High School as the school that holds the transcript, and complete the authorization by eSigning the online form. To order transcripts select destinations such as colleges, graduate schools, employers or yourself. Destinations can be searched, or names and addresses can be entered if not found on the search. Select whether a current transcript should be sent or if the transcript should be held until the next grading period. The status of each request will be emailed and updated in your Parchment account. Allow up to one week for processing of each request. Refer to support.parchment.com, your Counselor or the Registrar for additional assistance.

Seniors need to request a final transcript be sent to the college of their choice prior to graduation. When creating the final transcript request on parchment, you need to change “processing time” from “Send Now” to “Hold for Grades”. Please note that the request will be held until all grades are stored and final. Final transcript requests should be completed by mid-June.

In addition, seniors must complete the Transcript Release Form and pay a \$5.00 fee for graduation and transcript processing expenses prior to requesting transcripts needed for college applications.

Release forms and senior fee payments should be turned in to the Registrar’s Office located in 524. Additional forms and assistance with Parchment are also available in the Registrar’s office.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Subject	Entrance to: UT, ETSU, Austin Peay Memphis, MTSU, TN State, TN Tech*	Recommendations for highly selective colleges, Honors, or AP courses recommended	NCAA**	NESTCC and 2 year community colleges
English	4 Credits College Prep	4 Credits	4 Credits	4 Credits
Math	4 Credits must be Alg. 1, Geometry, Alg. 2 and Higher Level Math	4 Credits begin with Algebra 1	3 Credits*** beginning with Alg. 1	3 Credits
Science	2 Credits 1 must be a Biology, Chemistry, or Physics	3 Credits	2 - 3 Credits 1 must be a lab course	3 Credits
Social Studies	2 Credits US History Anc. History Euro History Mod History World Geo World History	3 Credits	2 - 3 Credits	3 Credits
Arts: Visual or Performing	1 Credit from art, music, theatre	Check college website	None	None
World Language	2 Credits of the same language	3 - 4 Credits of the same language	None	None
Electives		Most electives should be college prep courses	4 Credits (Div I) or 3 Credits (Div II) from the first four areas listed or from foreign language	Technical courses recommended

*Each state has different requirements for admission.

**See the Athletic Director, Keith Turner for GPA and SAT score requirements.

***One additional credit must be taken in either math or science.

TIMELINE FOR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS**JUNIORS****September**

- Inquire about PSAT/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) test date, time, and place in October.
- Meet with your school counselor to review your courses for this year and plan for your senior year.
- Attend College Fair to get more information about colleges.

October

- Take PSAT/NMSQT
- Consider taking the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) in February.

December

- Receive results of the PSAT/NMSQT. Read material sent with your scores and consult your counselor to determine how you might improve.
- This can be excellent preparation for your SAT and ACT.

January

- Continue to think about which college you'd like to explore.

February

- Continue to prepare for SAT and ACT. Register to take a test.

March

- Investigate prospective colleges by searching their websites and planning a visit.

April

- When selecting your senior courses, be sure to continue to challenge yourself.
- Take the SAT and ACT (double check date, time, and place).
- Continue to evaluate colleges. Begin eliminating some choices from the original list.

May

- Look into summer jobs.
- Take AP if appropriate.
- Consider enrolling in an academic course at a local college, pursuing a summer school program, or working as a volunteer.

June

- Plan visits to colleges during the summer.
- Take SAT II tests if appropriate.

July and August

- Visit colleges. Take tours and have interviews.
- Continue to refine your college list.

SENIORS**August**

- Attend a regional College Fair to investigate further those colleges to which you will probably apply.

September

- Sign up for Nov. SAT or Oct. ACT.
- Meet with your counselor to be sure that your list includes colleges appropriate to your academic and personal record.
- Review your personal records with your counselor to ensure their accuracy.
- Apply online to College or Technical Schools.
- Plan visits to colleges (if you didn't get to them during the summer or if you want to return for a second visit).
- Complete Autobiographical Statement to help counselors write letters of recommendations.

October

- Begin to gather the information needed for applications.
- Line up your teacher recommendations.
- If applying for "early decision", also prepare applications for back-up schools.
- Start submitting your applications.
- Sign up for Dec. /Jan. SAT II if appropriate or Dec. ACT.
- Take Oct. ACT if appropriate and have scores sent to colleges.

November

- Continue filing applications to colleges.

December

- Take SAT or ACT test. Have scores sent to colleges on your list.
- File your last college application.

December (continued)

- Attend Financial Aid Program.
- Consult your counselor again to review your final list of colleges. Be sure you have all bases covered.
- If you applied for "early decision", you should have an answer by now.

January

- Keep working on your grades
- File for Financial Aid through FAFSA n-line.

February, March, and April

- Remember to monitor your applications to be sure that all materials are sent and received on time.

Before May 1

- Decide on the one college or technical school which you will attend. Send your tuition deposit.
- Notify the other colleges that accepted you that you have selected another college.

May

- Take Advanced Placement Exams
- Complete Senior Checkout Form indicating where you want your final transcript sent.

SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

The master schedule has been balanced and course sections established based on the number of students requesting courses. Therefore, students will be held to the decisions made during registration. Students are expected to follow the schedule for classes which will be generated from the courses chosen during registration. This includes class levels such as Honors and AP. All class change requests have to be made in writing on the class change request form with a valid reason for the change. Forms will be available in the main office and Student Topper Center during the first week of school only. Sometimes course requests exceed the number of sections possible. Alternate courses are then considered first before placing students in non-requested courses.

During the first week of school, counselors will consider requests for schedule changes for the following reasons only:

- A student has failed the preceding class in the course sequence.
- A student does not meet the required pre-requisite or co-requisite.
- Summer school attendance results in a need for a new course request.
- A senior not registered for a required course for graduation.
- Does not have a class every period.
- An Administrator deems the move beneficial for balancing courses or for balancing student schedules.
- Student wishes to try a more challenging course in English, math, science or social studies.
- Teacher recommendation

The following are not acceptable for requesting a course change:

- Teacher preference.
- Fear of low grade or course difficulty (keep this in mind when registering for Honors/Advance/AP courses)
- Summer reading not completed.
- Changed mind



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Petition for Honors/AP Course Exit

Student's Name: Last	First	MI	Course:
Grade Level:		Teacher:	

I request an exit from the course stated above for the following reason(s):

I have completed all the requirements for this petition.

- I have conferenced with the teacher about my course performance and have implemented recommendations for improvement.
- I have attended all recommended tutoring sessions (before school/after school).
- I have completed all assignments.

Teacher's Signature:

I have discussed the implications of a course change with my counselor.

Counselor's Signature:

As the student (or parent/guardian), my signature below indicates that I understand the implications of a course change on my (or my student's) schedule, course weighting, and potential completion of the AP Capstone Diploma.

Signature of Student:	Date:
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date

Counselor/Admin Use Only	
<input type="checkbox"/> Petition Granted	
<input type="checkbox"/> Petition Denied	

Admin Signature: _____

EXPECTATIONS AND BEHAVIOR

ATTENDANCE

During the school year, Science Hill High School will continue to emphasize the value of instructional time. **We expect students to be in school and on time to each class every day.** Daily attendance records are kept by teachers for each class.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Johnson City Schools' Truancy Plan

First Day of school:

A written copy of the Johnson City Schools' Attendance Requirements is in each school's student handbook.

Truancy Violations:

Tier 1: Completed at the individual schools (possible phone conversation)

Violation – Five **unexcused** absences

Consequences:

1. Parents will receive a letter notifying them of # of absences and a meeting will be scheduled.
2. 30-day Attendance Contract signed by student, parent, and school officials, which outlines specific attendance expectations for the student.
3. Family and school officials will review the contract in 30 days. If one or more unexcused absence(s) occur, family will move to Tier 2.
4. If no further unexcused absences occur, the family and school officials will review the contract at 60 days to review the attendance requirements.

Tier 2: Completed at the individual schools:

Violation: The student has acquired **one or more additional unexcused** absence(s) after initial contract

Consequences:

1. Family is required to provide doctor's excuses for all absences.
2. Counselors and/or school official will conduct individual assessment of student's absences to determine reason for the absences.
3. Possible referral to counseling or other services as deemed necessary by the above assessment.
4. Family and student must still follow conditions set forth in the original contract.

Tier 3: Completed at Central Office/Juvenile Court:

Violation: The student has acquired **one or more additional unexcused absences** after the Tier 2 assessment.

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Consequences:

1. Family is required to provide doctor's excuses for all future absences
2. Truancy Board will review the case with family and make the appropriate referrals to community based services, such as: counseling, parenting classes, in-home services.
3. The case will be reviewed with the family every 30 days until the end of the contract.

If the student has further unexcused absences or fails to comply with the contract after progressing to Tier 3, a petition will be filed in Juvenile Court.

Also, failure to comply with a referral to the counselors or school official (Tier 2) or to cooperate at any Tier will result in the case to automatically proceed to the next tier and ultimately to Juvenile Court.

ABSENCE REPORTING

When a student is absent, it is expected that a **parent/guardian** will call or provide written documentation to the Attendance Office to report the absence and the reason for the absence. Calls should be received within three days of the student returning to school for the absence to be considered excused.

ABSENCES

Students are expected to be in class every day. However, the following are school approved absences from school:

- Personal illness- after the 5th day of absence due to illness, a doctor's excuse is required.
- Death in the family (limited to three days).
- Parent request limited to THREE (3) days per year (prior approval is required). Grades 11-12 see Wes Smith, grades 9-10 see Mr. Laoo and Topper Academy students see Mrs. Riden-Bacon.
- Illness in family requiring student to provide temporary help for family member (requires a statement from a physician).
- Special religious holidays regularly celebrated by students of a particular faith.
- Students are not granted "free" days to visit colleges and universities. These absences are excused only through the use of the THREE (3) parent request days.
- Science Hill **DOES NOT** acknowledge **SENIOR 'SKIP' DAYS**. These absences will be designated as unexcused.

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DRIVER'S LICENSES: Tennessee law requires the principal of a school to notify the Department of Safety if a student is absent from school for 10 consecutive unexcused absences or 15 unexcused absence/session or if a student fails to make satisfactory academic progress. Upon notification, the Department of Safety will suspend the youth's driver's license or will prohibit the youth from obtaining his/her driver's license. Issues related to Driver's permits/licenses are to go through Marvin Christman, Attendance Supervisor.

EARLY DISMISSAL

A parent call to the Attendance Office is necessary for a student to secure a dismissal slip. Early dismissal slips from 12pm to 1:15pm need to be arranged before 11:30am and picked up by the student in the Attendance Office. Students living at home, regardless of age, require a parent to contact the attendance office in order to check out of school.

The slip showing the time of dismissal must be shown to the teacher when it is time for the student to leave school and must be kept for use as an admit upon return to school. **Students must check in through the Attendance Office when returning to school on the same day of an early dismissal.**

Students will not be allowed to leave campus at any time without the permission of a parent or guardian. **Leaving campus without permission will result in disciplinary action and driving privileges may be revoked.**

DISMISSAL FROM CLASS

A student may be dismissed from class as a school excused absence for the following reasons:

- Dismissal slip issued by a school counselor.
- Dismissal slip issued by an administrator.
- Student's name appears on fieldtrip or activity list.

In order for a student to have an excused absence for a doctor's visit, the attendance office must have a note from the doctor's office on file. If a student needs to leave school due to an illness or injury, a doctor's note must be provided upon return to school for an excused absence unless the school nurse sends the student home.

MAKE-UP WORK

Students with absences are expected to complete the work missed. The student should meet with teachers *within 2 school days* of returning to school to make arrangements to complete work missed. See guidelines below:

EXPECTATIONS AND BEHAVIOR

- School Administrators have the discretion to allow or not allow make-up work for unexcused absences and out-of-school suspensions.
- It is recommended that students who are to be absent due to school-sponsored activities meet with their teachers, if possible, prior to the activity to get assignments and to schedule a time to turn in any assignments or projects and to take tests or quizzes.

TARDINESS

Tardiness is disruptive to the learning environment. Students at Science Hill High School are expected to be in class on time. Failure to meet this expectation may result in disciplinary action.

First period tardies report to the Attendance Office to Check In

Tardy 1-2	Administrative warning
Tardy 3-4	Automated Parent phone call
Tardy 5-9	Student will serve Administrative Detention.
Tardy 10+	Student will serve Administrative Detention that day and may receive further discipline as determined by administrator.

Second – fourth period tardies report to teacher.

Tardy 1-2	Teacher warning
Tardy 3-4	Parent phone call from teacher
Tardy 5-9	Teacher will refer to Administrator for conference/disciplinary action.
Tardy 10+	Teacher will refer to Administrator for additional discipline.

DISCIPLINE

The Code of Conduct and school rules are in effect at ALL school-sponsored activities. References to policies and rules in the Code of Conduct for Johnson City Schools are identified by a symbol (◀) following the statement. Topper Academy (TA) discipline follows the same guidelines as the Science Hill Campuses unless otherwise stated in the TA handbook or through other TA correspondence.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Science Hill insists on strict standards of academic honesty in all courses. Schoolwork must be based on a student's original ideas, while fully acknowledging the work of others. Teachers will provide guidance on when and how to use acknowledgements and how to paraphrase. Examples of failure to follow Academic Honesty guidelines include:

EXPECTATIONS AND BEHAVIOR

- Plagiarism: the act of passing off someone else's work as your own;
- Fabrication of data: manufacturing data for a table, chart, survey or similar requirement;
- Collusion: supporting academic dishonesty of another student, as in allowing work to be copied or submitted by another;
- Duplication of work: the presentation of the same work for different assessments and/or diploma requirements;
- Also including, but not limited to, any other behavior that creates an unfair advantage: taking unauthorized material into an examination room, disrupting an examination by misconduct, any effort at passing on information related to an examination, failures to comply with examination instructions, impersonating another student, stealing examination papers.

Academic Honesty applies to all students in all classes. Violations of this policy will not be tolerated at Science Hill High School.

CUTTING CLASS

Any student caught cutting class will receive disciplinary action.

DETENTION

Detention may be assigned for minor school/ classroom violations or other non-compliant behavior.

DRUG TESTING

Students who are suspected of being under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, drug, or narcotic shall be subject to drug testing. ◀

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students will be allowed to use personal cell phones during non-instructional times before school, during regular class changes, and during the student's lunch break. All other times are considered INSTRUCTIONAL TIME, a time during which all cell phone use is at the discretion of the teacher.

- Students who have phones in class are responsible for having their phones turned off or otherwise silenced so that incoming calls will not interfere with instruction.
- Students are expected to be in class on time. Finishing a phone call in the hall is not a justification for tardiness to class and constitutes use of a cell phone during instructional time.
- The taking of photos or the recording of videos, whether by cell phone or any other device, in places where privacy is a reasonable expectation is strictly prohibited.

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- Using cell phone cameras to record altercations on school grounds or at school events is prohibited. In such cases, phones may be confiscated as evidence.
- The use of cell phones for the purpose of cheating is strictly prohibited. As a means of protecting instructional time and/or providing test security, teachers may elect to collect students' cell phones during any class and return them at the end of the period.
- Students using electronic devices on campus for recreational use during school hours may only listen to the device in one ear for safety reasons.
- The teacher may allow the use of cell phones during class for instructional purposes.

FIGHTING

Physical fighting will not be tolerated at school or at any school activity and may result in 3 days of out-of-school suspension. Electronic recording of a fight may result in similar disciplinary action including confiscation of the device. Additionally, Disorderly Conduct charges may be placed by the School Resource Officer (SRO).

FORGERY

Duplication or alteration of forms/documents or the signing or initialing of names other than a student's own name is considered forgery and will result in disciplinary action.

LEAVING CAMPUS WITHOUT PERMISSION

Leaving campus without permission will result in disciplinary action and may result in loss of driving privileges.

LOITERING ON CAMPUS (INCLUDING PARKING LOTS)

Students are not allowed to remain on campus after 3:00PM unless under the direct supervision of a teacher or other school personnel. Students may be charged with trespassing.

PROFANITY

Students are expected to speak in a courteous and appropriate manner at all times. Profanity in the form of language and/or gestures directed toward classmates, staff members or any other person will result in disciplinary action.

SEARCHES

General searches of school property by a school official may be conducted at any time. With reasonable suspicion, a search of persons or vehicles may be conducted by school officials. ◀

Illegal items including knives or other possessions reasonably determined to be a threat to the safety or security of others may be seized by school authorities. Items used to disrupt or interfere with the educational process may be temporarily removed from the student's possession.

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Use of metal detectors to minimize the risk of weapons on campus has been determined to be a desirable technique for campus security. Surveillance with a metal detector shall not be considered a search governed by policies related to search of students.

School surveillance cameras can be used as a monitoring device and a source of evidence.

TOBACCO/VAPING/E-CIG

According to the Code of Conduct for the Johnson City Schools, use or possession of tobacco, tobacco-related products, and all smoking innovation devices by students on school property or during school fieldtrips or other school functions is not permitted. Students are also prohibited from possessing or using these products on fieldtrips and at school functions. ◀ Any student in violation may receive a citation to report to Juvenile Court and/or receive the following school consequences:

FIRST OFFENSE	ISS: 3 days
SECOND OFFENSE	ISS: 5 days & counseling
THIRD OFFENSE	OSS: 3 days
ADDITIONAL OFFENSES	Possible Alternative Placement

VANDALISM

Vandalism to personal or school property will result in suspension and may result in the filing of criminal charges. The student must make arrangements for restitution for the damage prior to returning from the suspension. Restitution will become a student obligation.

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CAMPUS LIMITS DURING SCHOOL HOURS

- Students are not to be in the parking lots during the school day unless they have a note from an administrator.
- Other than the legitimate use of parking lots, students are not to be in areas where they do not attend classes.
- The use of skateboards is not permitted on school grounds at any time.

DANCE GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS

The purpose of these guidelines is to provide an atmosphere at all SHHS dances that will encourage fun as well as respect and safety for all students.

- Students will only enter and exit through the door designated by administration depending on location of dance.
- Students will only use bathrooms designated by administration depending on location of dance.
- Only disc jockeys approved by the SHHS administration will be used at SHHS dances.
- Only SHHS 9th - 12th grade students may attend dances. (Exception- the Junior/Senior Prom).
- Administrators and faculty chaperones will monitor the entrance, exits, bathrooms, dance area, etc.
- Police officer(s) will be on duty at all SHHS dances.
- Students will be subject to pass through standard security procedures prior to entering the dances.

DISPLAYS OF AFFECTION

Public display of affection is not appropriate at school. Kissing and other forms of intimate contact are not allowed on campus or at school activities. Repeated incidents may be considered as insubordination.

DISPLAY OF PRINTED MATERIALS

- Content and size of materials must be cleared with administration.
- Students are responsible for removal of materials and disposal in the school dumpsters following an event or campaign.
- For security purposes printed materials may be displayed in wall holders and bulletin boards. Materials may not be displayed on windows or glass doors.

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DRESS AND GROOMING

It is within the administration's discretion to determine appropriate dress and grooming. Students are expected to display good taste in matters of dress and grooming at all Science Hill High School activities. Attire and grooming should not disturb or distract from classroom instruction or exhibit disrespect in any way.

The list of unacceptable attire includes, but is not limited to: clothing with offensive messages, including advertisements for drugs, alcohol, violence, sexual messages or messages with double meaning; revealing clothing; pajamas and house shoes. Pants shall be worn at the waist. Accessories that pose a threat to the safety of students are not permissible (such as spiked jewelry, spiked collars, chains, and trench coats).

Head coverings, bandannas, and sunglasses are unacceptable inside the school buildings during the day.

OFFENSE 1-2	Warning and student will be asked to address issue.
OFFENSE 3+	Addressed as insubordination.

FOOD AND DRINK

- Students are expected to keep all areas of the school clean by properly disposing of trash.
- Food and drink may not be brought into the Auditorium.
- Students may not have fast foods or other commercial foods delivered or brought to campus during the school day. It is a violation of federal guidelines and could result in the school system's loss of the Free and Reduced Lunch Program.
- Vending machines are not the responsibility of Science Hill High School. Science Hill will not reimburse money lost in machines.

HARASSMENT AND/OR BULLYING

Actions, words, cyber bullying or other forms of bullying that cause embarrassment or humiliation to another person are considered harassment. Harassment is neither condoned nor tolerated. Refer to the Johnson City Schools Code of Conduct.

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Science Hill uses the Olweus Definition of Bullying: “Bullying is when someone repeatedly and on purpose says or does mean or hurtful things to another person who has a hard time defending himself or herself.” The Olweus Bullying Prevention Program, US

Bullying Behavior is defined by three components: The Olweus Bullying Prevention Program, US

- Involves an aggressive behavior;
- Typically involves a pattern of behavior repeated over time;
- Imbalance of power or strength.

Students who feel they have been harassed should report it to an administrator, counselor, or teacher.

SOCIAL CLUBS

Social clubs are NOT SPONSORED, RECOGNIZED, OR ENDORSED by Science Hill High School. Any social club functions such as Fall Formal, Sweetheart Dance, Spring Fling, or initiation activities are NOT sanctioned by Science Hill or Johnson City Schools. Activities for these groups ARE NOT permitted during school hours or on school grounds (including school events such as Homecoming, Spirit Week, etc.). Students participating in social club activities on school grounds will be subject to disciplinary action.

LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER AND STUDENT POLICIES

CALCULATORS

Calculators may be checked out from the 9-12 LMC for one day and will be due before 7:40AM the following school day.

COMPUTERS

Games are not permitted. Users are not allowed to load any programs onto LMC computers. Any non-compliance of computer regulations may result in a student's suspension of computer privileges.

Individual student use of computers will be subject to availability; **scheduled classes have priority**. Students must register and show their student ID card at the circulation desk before using any LMC computer unless accompanied by a teacher. The cost of printing non-school related documents from LMC computers will be 10 cents per sheet.

All computer use is monitored. The LMC adheres to the Johnson City Board of Education Policies #6.320 and #4.406 "Use of the Internet", #1.805 Use of Electronic Mail (E-mail), #5.609 Internet Use, and #4.407 Web Pages. See the Code of Conduct for Internet Rules. ◀

FINES

- A \$.25 fine per day is charged for overdue books and periodicals. Fines will be charged from the date due and will continue until a maximum of \$5.00 per session is reached.
- A \$1.00 fine per day is charged for overdue calculators, audio books, and other equipment up to a maximum 5.00 per session.
- Students with fines are limited to checking out one book at a time until those fines have been paid.
- No charge is made for excused absences and non-student days.
- An effort will be made to send a notice on campus to students with obligations. Student obligations must be cleared in the media center. All obligations to the LMC must be cleared or special arrangements made prior to additional materials being checked out. Obligations not cleared by the end of the school year will be subject to school policy.
- Student Chromebook fines are to be settled with our School Librarian, Mr. Tracy Hoilman.

LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER ID CARD

All students desiring to check out materials and equipment or use a computer are asked to present a form of identification. A due date is stamped in the back of each book. Books should be returned on or before the due date or a fine will be incurred.

Students should plan to use reference materials in the LMC. Reference books are not available for checkout.

MATERIALS LOST OR DAMAGED

DAMAGED

A fee will be charged to replace damaged material according to the value of the destroyed or abused material. A Library Media Specialist will assess the fee. There is a \$5.00 charge to replace lost ID cards.

REPLACEMENT

The cost for lost books, periodicals, AV materials, and equipment will be the replacement cost.

THEFT OF LMC MATERIALS

Tennessee State Law, Public Chapter 725 states that “any person who takes library materials from any school library without authorization is subject to search and to prosecution as a shoplifter. ◀

PERIODICALS

- Back issues of magazines may be obtained at the circulation desk. Periodicals may be checked out for overnight use.
- Magazines for overnight use must be checked out on the student’s ID card.
- Magazine articles and article summaries are available on the library databases.

LMC SCHEDULE

The Library Media Center will be open from 7:00AM to 4:00PM, Monday – Friday extended or abbreviated hours will be announced and posted.

LMC STUDENT USE

Students may come to the LMC individually or with a scheduled class. When an individual student comes to the LMC without a scheduled class, he/she must have a school-approved hall pass. Hall passes are required during lunch shifts for students who are visiting during class time.

TRANSPORTATION

BUS TRANSPORTATION

Bus Transportation is provided for the students by the Johnson City Transit System
Students must not walk between buses to the parking lot.

STATE LAW PROHIBITS VEHICLES MOVING WHEN SCHOOL BUSES ARE PRESENT. ◀

BUS ROUTES AND SCHEDULES

Questions concerning bus routes, schedules, and policies should be directed to the Supervisor of School Buses at 434-6278.

DISCIPLINARY CODE: WILL BE DISTRIBUTED SEPARATELY TO STUDENTS IN A HANDOUT IN HOMEROOM.

STUDENT CERTIFICATE OF COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

Tennessee State Law requires students who wish to attain a state driver's permit or driver's license to be in compliance with the following criteria:

- The student **MUST** be making satisfactory academic progress (must pass 3 classes).
- The student **MUST** have a good discipline and attendance record.

The school official who issues the certificate of compulsory school attendance will do so provided the student is in compliance with the criteria required by the Tennessee State Law. (Reference TCA 40-6-3017.) Compulsory Attendance verification can be obtained from the Attendance Office.

The names of students who do not meet state attendance and academic criteria will be forwarded to the Tennessee Department of Safety for revocation of their driver's license.

STUDENT DRIVING AND PARKING POLICY

Parking and driving at SHHS is a privilege. Student driving and/or parking privileges can be revoked as a disciplinary measure.

Although bus service is provided, many students choose to drive a vehicle to school. In order to use the available parking spaces fully and fairly, the parking regulations listed below are in effect for the current school year. These regulations governing student-driven vehicles on campus are necessary for order and safety. **The school system is not responsible for damage or loss of property regarding vehicles on campus.**

TRANSPORTATION

STUDENT DRIVING AND PARKING REGULATIONS

- All students who desire to drive to school **MUST** register their vehicles with Mr. McInturff (Security Officer) in the cafeteria on specified days. The decal is to be placed on back window – driver side.
- Parking fees are nonrefundable. Parking fees are \$5.00 EACH year. There is a \$2.00 fee to replace lost decals.
- Senior parking lots are located on Lots 2 & 3.
- Parking for underclassmen will be in the Driving Range.
- Vehicles not registered or found in violation of parking guidelines are subject to:

1 st Offense	\$10.00 fine and parents are called
2 nd Offense	Assigned parking for 1 month
3 rd Offense	Assigned parking for the remainder of the school year.

- Students are not to park in staff or visitor parking areas, fire lanes, on the grass, or other areas designated as no-parking-zones.
- Upon arrival at school, **the student's vehicle is not to be moved** until the student leaves at the end of the school day unless the student has permission through the school office. **Leaving campus for lunch is not permitted** and is not an acceptable reason for moving a vehicle. Students leaving campus without permission will receive in-school suspension and may be assigned parking by our school security team.
- Students must obey the **10 MPH** speed limit at all times when driving on campus.
- Unless permission is granted otherwise, students are prohibited from going to their vehicles during the school day. Lounging in vehicles in the parking lot will not be allowed.
- **STUDENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO DRIVE ON THE TOP PARKING LOT FROM 7:00AM UNTIL THE BUSES LEAVE AT APPROXIMATELY 2:45PM.**
- **PARKING AT OR AROUND THE FIELD HOUSE IS NOT PERMITTED.**
- Students must obey all traffic laws on campus including but not limited to:
 - 10 MPH speed limit
 - One-way streets
 - Illegally parked
 - Stop signs
 - Wearing seatbelts
 - Failure to yield
 - Reckless Driving
 - Repeated failures to follow traffic in parking guidelines.

Non-compliance will result in immediate administrative action and possible JCPD citations.

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- Driving/Parking privileges may be revoked for the following reasons:
 - Fail 2 or more classes (semester)
 - Exceed tardies (semester) as per tardy policy
 - Truancy (more than 5 unexcused absences)
 - More than 2 occurrences of out-of-school suspension (semester)
 - Cutting class (leaving campus in car)

Violation of these regulations will result in suspension of driving privileges.

STUDENT LOADING ZONE MAIN CAMPUS

Parents who transport students to and from the Main Campus are to use the cul-de-sac behind the cafeteria and parallel to John Exum Parkway and New gym parking lots.

STUDENT LOADING ZONE NINTH GRADE

Parents will pick up and drop off students at the access road (Topper Lane) behind the 9th grade academy.

Student Loading Zone Traffic is one-way from the hours of 7:00-7:45 am and 2:15-3:00 pm.

BUS SAFETY COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

The following procedure will govern how students, teachers, staff, and community members shall submit bus safety complaints:

1. All complaints shall be submitted to the transportation supervisor by calling the transportation office at 423-794-2360 or email wallaceg@jcschools.org.
2. When calling with a complaint please provide if possible the bus number, time of day, and location of bus. Example: Bus number 22, at 3:30pm, corner of Maple Street and South Roan Street.

As governed by law the transportation supervisor shall begin an investigation of all bus safety complaints within twenty-four (24) hours of complaint.

PROTOCOL FOR PARENTS FILING A CONCERN

- Student's classroom teacher if involved
- Assistant Principal – Dr. Josh Carter
- Principal- Todd Barnett
- Secondary Supervisor- Dr. David Timbs
- Superintendent of Schools- Dr. Steve Barnett

PARENT PORTAL

- Parents may access student grades and attendance any time using the Parent Portal.
- Science Hill does not send home report cards unless requested by the parent. You can call our office and request to be added to receive a printed report card that will be sent home with your student each reporting period.
- To request a Parent Portal account, go to the Science Hill website and click on 'Parent Portal Access Request' under the Quick Links.

STUDENT SINGLE SIGN-ON PORTAL

- The Johnson City Schools Single Sign-On Portal is a tool for students to access district and instructional technology resources from one location, with one login. To access the Single Sign-On Portal, go to www.jcschools.org and select the Single Sign-On link at the top of the page. The direct link to the Single Sign-On Portal is <https://portal.jcschools.org> . Each student receives a unique login and password.
- Upon your first login, you will be prompted to answer four security questions to setup the self-service password reset tool. You can pick from the list of questions by using the drop-down arrow on the question field.
- If you forget your password in the future, go back to the Single Sign-On login page and select the "Forget Password" link. Once you do this, you will initiate the password reset process. You will be required to enter your username and then answer two of your security questions to enter a new password.
- When you login on the Single Sign-On Portal, you will see apps to common applications used by our school (Canvas, PowerSchool, OneDrive, etc)

STUDENT HEALTH

The purchase of school health insurance is available to each student under a group plan. Students will be given information regarding the cost and coverage near the beginning of the school year. All students enrolled in Career Technology Education classes are encouraged to take the insurance. Students who participate in regular school-sponsored programs which require trips away from the school campus are encouraged to have school insurance or an approved equivalent.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARDS

Students are required by law to have emergency medical information on file in the clinics. These must be completed on an annual basis. ◀

CLINIC

The clinic is available to students and staff from 7:30 – 3:00 each school day. If a student needs to leave class to go to the clinic, a clinic pass must be filled out by the teacher to see the nurse. Students do not need a pass to the clinic if it is between classes.

If a student needs to leave school due to an illness or injury, a doctor's note must be provided upon return to school for an excused absence unless the school nurse sends the student home.

The school is not allowed to supply medicine of any kind unless school medication and permission forms are completed by parent and/or doctor. These forms must be kept on file with the school nurse and resubmitted every year. **MEDICATION SHOULD BE ADMINISTERED AT HOME.** When medication must be given at school, the following guidelines apply:

- All medication must be turned into the clinic. No student may carry prescription or nonprescription medications (Exceptions may exist for students with IHP or 504 plan).
- A completed medication administration sheet for either prescription or non-prescription medications must be on file in the clinic. A new form must be completed for any changes.
- More detailed information will be required for students with emergency medication conditions.
- Written instructions **signed by the parent** will be required and will include the following:
 - Child's name
 - Name of medication
 - Name of physician
 - Time to be self-administered
 - Dosage and directions for self-administration (non-prescription medicines must have labeled directions)
 - Possible side effects, if known

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- Termination date for self-administration of the medication
- The parent or guardian is responsible for informing the designated official of any change in the student's health or change in medication.
- Non-prescription drugs must be brought to school with the manufacturer's original label and the student's name affixed to the container.
- Any questions should be referred to SHHS School Nurse at 423-794-2216. If you are unable to reach the school nurse please call the School System Nurses' office at 232-5380, located in the Columbus Powell Central Office.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Immunizations must be up to date.

9TH Grade

- 5 DPT
- 4 Polio
- 2 MMR
- 2 Hep A- Unless out of state transfer
- 3 HBV
- 2 Varicella (chickenpox) or date of disease
- 1 Tdap booster

10TH Grade

- 5 DPT
- 4 Polio
- 2 MMR
- 2 Hep A- Unless out of state transfer
- 3 HBV
- 2 Varicella (chickenpox) or date of disease
- 1 Tdap booster

11th Grade

- 5 DPT
- 4 Polio
- 2 MMR
- 2 Hep A- Unless out of state transfer
- 3 HBV
- 2 Varicella (chickenpox) or date of disease
- 1 Tdap booster

12TH Grade

- 5 DPT
- 4 Polio
- 2 MMR
- 2 Hep A- Unless out of state transfer
- 3 HBV
- 2 Varicella (chickenpox) or date of disease
- 1 Tdap booster

- DPT- Dose 5 is not necessary if dose 4 was administered at age 4 years or old and at least 6 months have elapsed between dose 3 and 4.
- Tdap is required for 7th grade entry; Tdap is NOT required if a TD booster dose is recorded or given less than 5 years before 7th grade entry.
- The varicella requirements is for 2 doses of varicella-containing vaccine or history of disease for all students entering K or 7th grade, and NEW Entrants into a Tennessee school in

GENERAL INFORMATION

FEES AND OBLIGATIONS

LOCKER FEE: The locker deposit is \$1.00 per student. Lockers are assigned by Marvin Christman (during Lunch Time at the Kiosk) and the deposit is paid at the time the locker is assigned. Please refer locker problems to Marvin Christman.

FEE LIST SY 2019-2020 (Per Semester USD)

Athletics	Insurance	25.00
Car	Parking registration	\$ 5.00
Chromebook	Usage fee per school year	\$ 20.00
English	9 th -12 th (paperback books, videos, computer supplies)	\$ 6.00
	AP Research	10.00
	AP Seminar	20.00
Fine Arts	Art 9-12	\$ 20.00
	AP Art	25.00
	Band Camp	125.00
	Fee for use of school-owned instruments	50.00
	Ceramics	25.00
	Chorus – all classes	20.00
	Tuxedo rental and cleaning (males)	50.00
	Gown purchase (females) *student's to keep	60.00
	Drama - Showstoppers	15.00
	Theatre Arts I	10.00
	Orchestra -Instrument maintenance	50.00
World Language	French I, II	\$ 5.00
	French III,IV	15.00
	German I, II, III, IV	5.00
	Latin I, II, III, IV, AP	15.00
	Spanish I, II, III, IV, AP	10.00
Locker	Locker fee per student	\$ 1.00
Math	Batteries, workbooks	\$ 5.00
Science	AP Biology	\$ 10.00
	AP Chemistry & Chemistry II lab fee	15.00
	AP Environmental Science	15.00
	AP Physics I & II	15.00
	Biology II Honors	10.00
	Earth & Space Science	5.00
	Macrobiology	5.00
	All other science classes	5.00
Senior Fee	Parchment, Processing transcripts	10.00
Social Studies	Social Studies fee	5.00
Tech (CTE)	Advanced Computer Applications	\$ 15.00
	Anatomy and Physiology	20.00
	Architectural & Engineering Design I, II, III	20.00
	Business Communication	10.00
	Clinical Internship	20.00
	Computer Applications	10.00
	Cosmetology I, II, III	20.00
	Criminal Justice I, II, III	10.00
	Culinary Arts I, II, III	20.00
	Dental Science	20.00
	Dental Science Clinical	20.00
	Digital Arts & Design I, II,III	10.00

	Family Studies	10.00
	Fundamentals of Construction	20.00
	Greenhouse Management	10.00
	Health Science Education	20.00
	Hospitality and Tourism Exploration	10.00
	Hospitality Management/Event Planning	10.00
	Hospitality Marketing	10.00
	Introduction to Human Studies	10.00
	Landscaping and Turf Science	10.00
	Lifespan Development	10.00
	Maintenance and Light Repair I,II,III,IV	20.00
	Medical Terminology	20.00
	Medical Therapeutics	20.00
	Nursing Education Clinical	20.00
	Personal Finance	5.00
	Pharmacological Sciences	20.00
	Principles of Manufacturing	20.00
	Principles of Plant Science and Hydroculture	10.00
	Rehabilitation Careers	20.00
	Residential & Commercial Construction I, II	20.00
	STEM I	10.00
	Welding I, II	20.00
Wellness/PE	Lifetime Sports	\$ 5.00
	Sports Officiating	10.00
	Wellness	5.00

FEE WAIVERS

Fees are due when the student begins a class. Fee waivers may be granted to a student who qualifies for free or reduced lunch. A student who qualifies for free or reduced lunch and who wants to be exempt from paying the fees **MUST** complete the free or reduced lunch form for the family (if he/she has not been notified of approval through Direct Certification). When a parent has been notified that the student has been approved for free or reduced lunch, the student is automatically approved for fee waivers. This does **not** apply to lost or damaged books or to any school equipment.

LOST OR DAMAGED TEXTBOOKS

The following reimbursement schedule shall be used as a guide for collecting fines for lost or destroyed books (Board Policy 4.401):

Age of Book	Amount Collected
1-2 years	100% of replacement cost
3-4 years	75% of replacement cost
5 or more years	50% of replacement

Until restitution has been made, students may not be issued a replacement textbook. While unpaid, this amount is considered an obligation.

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OBLIGATIONS

Financial obligations are accrued when a student damages school property, damages or fails to return a textbook, media center material, counseling materials, uniforms, JROTC or athletic equipment. **Transcripts will not be sent to colleges or to another high school until obligations are cleared. Diplomas will be held.**

◀ Financial obligations will be taken care of in the Topper Student Center on the main campus.

HILLSIDE CAFE

Students may purchase school supplies and school spirit items from “The Hillside Café” adjacent to the Library and Cafeteria during operating hours. All proceeds are spent purchasing items for the school.

CAFETERIA

Breakfast and lunch are served out of the cafeteria. Breakfast is served 7:00 – 7:30AM. Second Chance Breakfast will be served between 1st and 2nd Block. Second Chance Breakfast will not be offered on days in which we dismiss at 11:00 AM.

Cost for meals is as follows:

Meal	Full Price	Reduced Price
Breakfast	1.75	.30
Lunch	2.85	.40

LOST AND FOUND

Students should check in the Attendance Office on their campus for lost items. Any items found should be given to the Attendance Office secretaries. Those items not claimed by the end of each term will be given to a non-profit organization or discarded.

Neither the school system nor Science Hill High School is responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen money or personal items.

SAFETY

Science Hill staff, consisting of faculty, secretaries, counselors, administrators, school resource officers, security personnel, and custodians, work to provide a clean, orderly and safe place to learn. We ask that everyone assist in this process by helping keep Science Hill clean and operating in an orderly and safe manner. Students are our greatest source of information to prevent an on-site emergency. Anyone who has heard of a student with a weapon or a plan to harm students or staff has the responsibility to let school staff/administration know. If a student is unable to report to school staff/administration, please call 911. If you are aware of a situation that needs our attention, please report it to any staff person

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SAFETY DRILLS AND CODES

Per Tennessee Code Annotated 49-6-801-814, the SAVE (Schools Against Violence in Education) Act establishes specific school safety planning requirements for schools and school districts. In order to be prepared for emergency situations, SHHS conducts periodic drills. Students are to be attentive and follow directions given by their teachers or directions given over the PA system.

STUDENT SERVICES

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Special accommodations for persons with disabilities will be made upon request. Please contact Connie Reaves (232-2160) in advance with any special accommodation requests.

SPECIAL NEEDS POLICY

Science Hill provides services to students who have been identified through Tennessee State and United States federal criteria as a student with a disability requiring special education. We strive to have a community of dedicated staff and involved parents that meet the diverse academic, emotional, and social needs of all students in a respectful and positive environment.

STUDENT TEACHERS / INTERNS / FIELD OBSERVATIONS

In an effort to help ensure quality instruction in the public schools both now and in the future, the Johnson City Schools system works with East Tennessee State University, University of Tennessee Knoxville, Milligan College, King College, Northeast State Technical Community College, and other area institutions to provide field experience and valuable training for tomorrow's teachers. In return, student teachers, interns, and field experience students provide assistance for the instructional program at Science Hill under the direct mentor leadership of our teachers.

SHHS administration reserves the right to make appropriate placements and determine the amount of time student teachers will be allowed to instruct a class.

TUITION

Tuition students must submit applications for tuition to the Central Office on E. Maple Street. Payments for tuition can also be made at the Central Office location. See the application for current tuition rates and payment schedules.

TOPPER TOTS

Science Hill offers an on-site preschool program for SHHS students who have children ages 6 weeks to 5 years old. **Space is limited** and is available on a first come – first served basis. There is a weekly charge for tuition and only payment of the deposit will reserve your child a spot. Child care vouchers are accepted. Students with children attending topper tots must be at school while the child is in attendance at SHHS Topper Tots. Failure to attend all classes will result in disciplinary action.

Transportation for children attending Topper Tots is not provided. The preschool is closed the first and last week of school for mandatory testing. Students using the preschool will take a child care class the 1st session their child is enrolled in the program.

For more information contact Dr. Julia Decker at 232-2200.

VISITORS

School Board Policy does not allow students to invite visitors to campus during the school day. When parents or guest speakers visit our campus, they must obtain and display a visitor's pass from the office and must be escorted at all times. Visitor badges must be worn at all times while on campus.

QUESTIONS/PROBLEMS	CONTACT PERSON	PHONE
ACT/SAT Forms	Counselors/Student Center	232-2184
Topper Academy	Melanie Riden-Bacon	928-0380
Attendance	George Lao	232-2191
Athletics		
Athletic Director	Keith Turner	232-2195
Athletic Trainer	Mark McDonald	232-2158
Basketball (Boys)	Ken Cutlip	232-2197
Basketball (Girls)	David Whaley	232-2190
Baseball	Ryan Edwards	232-2190
Cheerleading Varsity	Rose Hilton/ Melissa Cutlip	232-2190
Cheerleading 9th	Kelsey Cloyd	232-2192
Cross Country (Boys)	TBA	232-2190
Cross Country (Girls)	TBA	233-2190
Football	Stacy Carter	232-2190
Golf (Boys/Girls)	Kevin Vannoy	232-2190
Soccer Boys	David Strickland	232-2190
Soccer Girls	David Strickland	232-2190
Softball	Jerry Higgins	232-2190
Swimming (Boys/Girls)	Chris Coraggio	232-2190
Tennis (Boys/Girls)	Kelly Lane/Erin Williams	232-2190
Track (Boys/Girls)	Anthony Jones	232-2190
Volleyball	Laura Cook	232-2190
Wrestling	Jimmy Miller	232-2190
Athletic Adult Passes	Janet Phillips	232-2205
Athletic Student Passes	Janet Phillips	232-2205
Band	Dr. Carson Vermillion	232-2193
Bookstore	Rose Marie Hilton	232-2190
Buses	J C Transit	434-6278
Career Information	Counselors	232-2184
Chorus/Vocal Music	June Oaks	232-2194
Conferences with teachers	Main Office	232-2190
Counselors		
9-10 A-Gh	Kim Thompson	232-2184
9-10 Gi-N	Holly English	232-2184
9-10 O-Z	Josh Jarnigan	232-2184
11-12 A-Gh	Joe McPherson	232-2184
11-12 Gi-N	Sue Ellis	232-2184
11-12 O - Z	Suzanne Reaves	232-2184
Clubs and Activities	George Lao	232-2190
College Information	Counselors	232-2184
Drama	Rick Marshall Hunter Graybeal	232-2161
Early Dismissals	Attendance Office	232-2191
Financial Aid Forms	Counselors	232-2184
Free Lunch	Cafeteria Manager	232-2190
Grade Portal	McKayla Collie	232-2190

JROTC	Lt. Col. Wild M Sgt. Ross	232-2151
Lockers	Marvin Christman	232-2191
Lost and Found	Attendance Office	232-2191
Parking	Anthony McInturff	232-2190
Schedules	Counselors	232-2184
Special Education Services	Dr. Ginger Woods	434-5215
Career Technical Ed (CTE)	Dr. Julia Decker	232-2200
Testing	Dr. Charles Corwin	232-2147
Tuition	Dr. David Timbs	434-5219

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